

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

There are no formal matters outstanding.

This amendment replaces the unentered amendment of May 12, 2004.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation that claims 7-8, 10-31, 33, 35-37, and 40 have been indicated to be directed to allowable subject matter.

Further, the Advisory Action of June 15, 2004 indicated that the above amendments places claims 10-21 in condition for allowance.

Claim 10 has been amended to include the recitations of base claim 1. Allowance of claim 10 and claims 11-21 depending therefrom is solicited.

As the remaining claims have been cancelled, Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

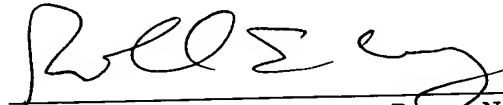
Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application; the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional  
fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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